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## SUBJ: OPEC MEETING IN GENEVA

- 1. SWISS FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL HAS CONFIRMED TO US PRESS REPORTS THAT AD HOC OPEC MEETING IS TAKING PLACE IN GENEVA. MEETING BEGAN APRIL 21 AND IS SCHEDULED TO RUN TO APRIL 23. VERY HEAVY SECURITY MEASURES ARE IN EFFECT AT CONFERENCE SITE AND AT GENEVA AIRPORT.
- 2. ACCORDING TO PRESS, 13 OIL MINISTERS ARE TAKING PART IN CONFERENCE. YAMANI OF SAUDI ARABIA, ADESSELAM OF ALGERIA, AND THE SON OF THE SHEIK OF QATAR WERE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED, PLUS AN UNNAMED INDONESIAN. ONE PAPER PASSED ON RUMOR THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF MAJOR OIL COMPANIES INCLUDING ARAMCO WERE ALSO TAKING PART IN MEETING. THERE HAS BEEN NO INDICATION OF CONFERENCE AGENDA.
- 3. SWISS FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL TOLD US THAT OPEC MEETING HAD BEEN KEPT VERY SECRET EVEN WITH GOS PARTLY FOR SECURITY REASONS AND PARTLY TO AVOID GIVING THE AUSTRIANS THE WRONG IMPRESSION THAT THE SWISS WANTED TO TAKE THE OPEC MEETING SITE AWAY FROM VIENNA. IN FACT OPEC INFORMED SWISS THAT THEY WISHED TO KEEP VIENNA AS THE PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS FOR THE ORGANIZATION, BUT THEY PLAN TO HAVE SPECIAL MEETINGS IN OTHER CITIES.

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